

FAQs

*What you are
asking us about
the COFRS
Modernization
Project*

Number 1

When will I be trained on the new system?

There will be several opportunities for training on the new system, depending on your role, but most of you will not be trained until the spring of 2014. Experience shows that, in order to be effective, training must be close in time to when it will be applied.

In the near term, technical training involving system tools and administration will be conducted for a small group of key individuals who will be performing interface and report development for the application. There will also be configuration training in the April-May 2013 timeframe for key resources who will be performing implementation tasks. We will notify those involved in each type of training when they are scheduled to attend.

Am I going to be able to “see, feel, touch” the new system any time soon? Are demos/sandboxes planned?

Implementation of the new system involves a process of assembling a puzzle from disparate pieces. During this process, select State personnel will have access to different environments for different purposes at different times. Along with CGI staff, they will configure the system with State data and elements that will make the system relevant to State users. The process is tailored for efficiency and to allow a uniform implementation process. For these reasons there will not be a “play” environment for use by end users until the system is fully configured and end users are trained.

When will the fit-gap analysis be complete, and how will the results be communicated?

The fit-gap analysis is now complete, and a meeting was held on April 3 to walk through the results. The purpose of this event was to reconvene all of the fit-gap participants, the controllers, budget officers and procurement directors, and share the results with them. In addition, the 1080 plus pages of Fit Gap Analysis will be available for your review by functional area. It is important to ensure that the conceptual framework of the new solution is fully understood and that any gaps in the proposed solution are addressed.